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CLAIM AMENDMENTS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended). A device for defining a control system with a plurality of neutral participants, the device comprising:

a control system configured to control a printing machine, said control system including a central computer and a plurality of the neutral participants, said the neutral participants interacting with said central computer in order to carry out processes;

a bus system including lines, ~~said the~~ participants being connected to ~~one-another~~ said central computer via said lines of said bus system;

said lines of said bus system and ~~said the~~ participants having respective plugs connecting said lines to ~~said the~~ participants; and

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at least ~~given ones~~ one of said plugs of said lines of said bus system having reserved plug contacts, said reserved plug contacts being provided with at least one galvanic link.

Claim 2 (original). The device according to claim 1, wherein said at least one galvanic link is connected to a given voltage potential.

Claim 3 (original). The device according to claim 1, wherein said reserved plug contacts are free connections of a respective one of said plugs, said at least one galvanic link is fitted to said free connections.

Claim ~~4~~ (currently amended). In combination with a printing machine including a control system with a central computer, a device for defining control system participants, comprising:

a plurality of neutral participants interacting with the central computer in order to carry out processes;

a bus system including lines, said neutral participants being connected to ~~one another~~ the central computer via said lines of said bus system;

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said lines of said bus system and said neutral participants having respective plugs connecting said lines to said participants; and

at least ~~given ones~~ one of said plugs of said lines of said bus system having reserved plug contacts, said reserved plug contacts being provided with at least one galvanic link.

Claim 5 (original). The device according to claim 4, wherein said at least one galvanic link is connected to a given voltage potential.

Claim 6 (currently amended). The device according to claim 4, wherein said reserved plug contacts are free connections of a respective one of said plugs, and said at least one galvanic link is fitted to said free connections.